

Active Transportation Committee  
**Meeting Minutes**  
 Meeting of January 11, 2017

A meeting of the Active Transportation Committee was held on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 in the offices of the Wasatch Front Regional Council, 295 North Jimmy Doolittle Road, Salt Lake City, Utah.

**Welcome and Introductions**

Mayor Bill Applegarth, sitting in for Mayor Caldwell, chaired the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 8:50 a.m. Mayor Applegarth welcomed committee members and guests and introductions were made. Andrew Gruber, Wasatch Front Regional Council, informed the Active Transportation Committee that the nominating committee for Wasatch Front Regional Council is going to nominate, and the Council will take action on January 26, 2017, to nominate Mayor Caldwell to be the chair of Wasatch Front Regional Council, and Commissioner Bret Millburn to be the new Vice-Chair. They are both planning to continue participating on the Active Transportation Committee. Mr. Gruber reported that the nominating committee is going to be nominating Mayor Bill Applegarth to be the new Chair of the ATC, and Mayor Don Carroll to be the new Vice-Chair. Mayor Carroll expressed that he's happy to be part of this committee and that he thinks there are some great things that can be done, and great things that have been done over the past couple of years, and he's looking forward to seeing that move forward.

**ATC Members and Alternates Present**

IN ATTENDANCE	2017 ATC MEMBERS
	<b>BOX ELDER COUNTY LOCAL GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS</b>
	Member: Commissioner Jeff Scott (Box Elder)
	<b>DAVIS COUNTY</b>
X	Member: Mayor Don Carroll (Fruit Heights) VICE CHAIR
X	Member: Commissioner Bret Millburn (Davis County)
	<b>MORGAN COUNTY</b>
X	Member: Daryl Ballantyne (Morgan County)
	Alternate: Austin Turner (Morgan County)
	<b>SALT LAKE COUNTY</b>
X	Member: Mayor Bill Applegarth (Riverton) CHAIR
X	Member: Councilmember Jenny Wilson (Salt Lake County)
	Alternate: Mayor Jeff Silvestrini (Millcreek)
	<b>TOOELE COUNTY</b>
X	Member: Commissioner Myron Bateman (Tooele County)
	Alternate: Mayor Mark Whitney (Stockton)
	<b>UTAH COUNTY</b>
	Member: Mayor Christopher Pengra (Eagle Mountain)
	<b>WEBER COUNTY</b>
	Member: Mayor Mike Caldwell (Ogden)
	Member: Commissioner James Ebert (Weber County)
	<b>BIKE UTAH</b>
X	Non-Voting Member: Phil Sarnoff
	<b>UTAH DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH</b>

X	Non-Voting Member: Brett McIlff
	<b>UTAH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION</b>
	Member: Nathan Lee
	<b>UTAH TRANSIT AUTHORITY</b>
	Member: Matt Sibul

### ATC Representatives and Others Present

Lars Anderson	PEC
Dan Bergenthol	Salt Lake City
Julie Bjornstad	WFRC
Casey Brown	AECOM
Barry Burton	Davis County
Betsy Byrne	National Park Service
Steve Call	FHWA
Alejandra Castillo	UDOT
Kim Clausing	Tooele County Health Department
Phil Collins	Davis County Health Department
Christy Dahlberg	WFRC
LaNiece Davenport	WFRC
George Deneris	Salt Lake County Active Transportation
Bryan Dillon	FHWA
Katie Gerard	WFRC
Heidi Goedhart	UDOT
Jason Green	Lochner
Andrew Gruber	WFRC
Tim Harpst	Horrocks Engineers
Scott Hess	WFRC
Jory Johner	WFRC
Jennifer McGrath	UTA
Ned Hacker	WFRC
Ted Knowlton	WFRC
Tom Millar	Alta Planning & Design
Richard Miller	UTA
Andrew Moser	Bio-West
Elliott Mott	Public Citizen
Dave Nozare	HDR Engineering
Travis Olsen	Weber-Morgan Health Department
Jeff Oyler	Davis County Planning
Jim Price	Mountainland Association of Governments
Wilf Sommerkorn	Salt Lake County
Brandon Stocksdale	NPS-RTCA
Tim Vandenberg	Weber Pathways
Muriel Xochimitl	WFRC
Nicole Zinnanti	ASSIST Inc.

### ***Approval of Meeting Minutes/Summary***

Mayor Don Carroll moved that the minutes of the October 12, 2016 meeting be approved as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Myron Bateman, and the meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

### ***Public Comment***

Elliott Mott, a private citizen, spoke on ideas to make the community bike friendly. He suggested the following:

1. Have a municipal bike/trails advisory committee which holds regular meetings. This is important because decision-makers are typically not bicyclists. They need to have this perspective.
2. Develop a handout on what we can do to make our communities more bicycle friendly.
3. Budget line items for General Upkeep and Maintenance of active transportation facilities, bike paths and multiple-use pathways
  - a) Staffing. FTE's with assigned AT upkeep and maintenance duties.
  - b) Budget assigned to Street Sweeping.
  - c) Budget assigned to Street Striping.
  - d) Budget assigned to Invasive Nuisance Species control (puncture vine).
  - e) Budget assigned to Snow Removal on AT facilities.

Phil Sarnoff, Bike Utah, informed the Committee that the Bike Summit will be held on March 14 in Ogden. Mayor Applegarth recommended that this information be put on the WFRC website under Active Transportation and that an email be sent out to all of the Mayor's in the Region.

### ***Chair Report***

Mayor Applegarth highlighted the following three items:

- ATC Membership and Representation – Mayor Applegarth noted that the great strength of this committee is its diversity. There are people from government positions, government positions that can influence budgets, advocacy groups, MPO's, WFRC staff, and others. He suggested that building relationships is key.
- ATC Role and Responsibilities - This Active Transportation Committee is established to advise the Regional Growth Committee and also to advise TransCom, where there is some real financial authority. The Wasatch Front Regional Council is where those individuals on the full council, have the power to move things forward. The ATC funding comes from the TIP program.
- 2017 ATC Schedule and Overview – Concept reports for funding programs are due January 19, 2017. This is the time for those involved in planning, to make sure you look and follow through on that date and get them submitted to WFRC. Upcoming meeting dates for the ATC are March 8, May 10, June 14, August 9, and October 11.

### ***TIGER Update***

The TIGER Grant was awarded to the region in the amount of \$20 million. The goal of this project is to reduce and remove barriers to transit access and transportation corridors in order to connect communities, employment centers, education institution, public services, and other community resources. This project will improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists, with an emphasis on developing mobility for transportation disadvantaged communities and the creation of ladders of opportunity. Jen McGrath, Utah Transit Authority, reported that she believes we were selected because of our Regional impact, and also because of the collaboration efforts.

Richard Miller, Utah Transit Authority, Capital Development Department, discussed what has happened within the past four months with this grant, and the immediate next steps of this grant.

Phase 1 of this grant is \$90 million, and included 350 projects. Phase 2 will include another 550 projects. After the grant is signed, we will have five years to complete these projects.

### **2017 ATC Goals Discussion**

Scott Hess, Wasatch Front Regional Council, discussed and provided a handout on the 2017 Active Transportation Goals. These goals are:

1. Update shared Regional Priority Bicycle Routes Plan/Map
  - a) Update the Priority Bicycle Routes Map for the 2019-2050 RTP and Unified Plan
    - i. Implement regional GIS schema
    - ii. Develop facility type recommendations based on best practices
    - iii. Develop phased project lists based on City and County priorities
    - iv. Engage all partners to come to agreement on one single adopted Active Transportation Map for the region
  - b) Integrate active transportation planning with road and transit planning process
2. Cities and counties adopt Local Active Transportation Plan (that align with Regional Priority Plan/Map)
  - a) Coordinate efforts with Bike Utah to promote adoption of local AT Plans that are coordinated across municipal boundaries and align with regional priorities
  - b) Establish standards for local AT Plans, and share those standards with partner communities for local plan creation.
  - c) Provide WFRC funding/technical assistance for development of local and multi-jurisdiction AT Plans
3. Fund and construction priority projects
  - a) City and County AT committees prioritize local infrastructure based on gaps, regional connections, and first/last mile projects
  - b) Provide WFRC funding/technical assistance for the construction of local AT infrastructure
  - c) Encourage communities to utilize local sources to construct infrastructure based on prioritized project lists
  - d) Identify and integrate any additional funding sources with current funding streams
4. Build support for AT through effective engagement and outreach
  - a) Refine, collect, and report on AT Performance Measures
  - b) Celebrate local successes of infrastructure development
  - c) Demonstrate potential benefits of AT investments
  - d) Report on TIGER projects as a key example of regional success in AT.

#### **Discussion:**

The ATC members were supportive of the 2017 Goals and direction as outlined by staff. The committee discussed adding language to the goals to include maintenance of existing facilities, as well as how to better promote the existing bicycle routes network. Jennifer McGrath suggested that the ATC consider a mobile application or notification software that the public could use to get regular updates and condition reports for existing bike and pedestrian routes.

With the input and discussion that was held at this meeting, Councilmember Jenny Wilson moved that the 2017 Active Transportation Goals be approved as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bret Millburn, and the Goals unanimously approved.

### **2016 Performance Metrics Report Card Discussion**

Scott Hess, Wasatch Front Regional Council discussed the Annual Report Card. The committee discussed using regional estimates for Air Quality and Counts in order to project the use and air

quality benefits of the active transportation network. Jim Price suggested obtaining temporary bike counters in order to sample different facilities across the region to establish base estimates to be projected region-wide. Jeff Oyler, Davis County, commented that the discussion of counts and air quality speaks to the need for the region to place permanent counters on regional bike and ped facilities in order to get current counts. Elliot Mott suggested going out to the private sector to help fund these investments. Tooele and Morgan County will also be included in the metrics. Scott Hess will revise the report card and disseminate to the ATC.

### **Agency/City/County Program Updates**

- Heidi Goedhart, UDOT, reviewed the Redwood Road Bicycle Study. UDOT has hired Alta Planning as a consultant to begin the Redwood Road Study. This study will look at the entire Redwood Corridor from Region 3 to Region 1. The study boundaries are between 2700 West and 1300 West, including Redwood. The consultant will complete an analysis of different design alternatives, different corridors, safety numbers, access points and connections to transit. This will be a comprehensive study on where UDOT should start emphasizing bicycle facilities through the corridor. This study is fast-tracked and will be completed in roughly four months.
- Jen McGrath, Utah Transit Authority, reviewed the Active Transportation Benefits Study. The final meeting for this project will be held on March 13, 2017 with time and location to be determined.
- Wilf Sommerkorn, Salt Lake County, discussed the Active Transportation Implementation PLAN (ATIP) progress. The County has been coordinating with local communities and transportation partners along with the consultant Toole Design. The final draft of the low stress bicycle network will be available in early spring.

### **Next Meeting: March 8, 2017**

Commissioner Myron Bateman moved that the meeting be adjourned. Councilmember Jenny Wilson seconded this motion, and the meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

*A recording of this meeting, agendas, and presentations may be found on the WFRC website at [www.wfrc.org](http://www.wfrc.org), under Committees, Active Transportation, 2017 meetings.*